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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| IN RE APPLICATION OF: Shinichi ARAI, et al. | | GAU: | |
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| SERIAL NO: NEW CONTINUATION APPLICATION | | | EXAMINER: |
| FILED: | HEREWITH | | |
| FOR: | LOW-DISPERSION OPTICAL | | TRANSMISSION SYSTEM USING THE LOW- |
| REQUEST FOR PRIORITY | | | |
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| Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/983,616, filed October 25, 2001 and PCT Application No. PCT/P01/01353, filed February 23, 2001, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120. | | | |
| Full benefit of the filing date(s) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S. §119(e): Application No. Date Filed | | | |
| Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below. | | | |
| In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority: | | | |
| COUNTRY Japan | | <u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u> 2000-049089 | MONTH/DAY/YEAR February 25, 2000 |
| Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s) | | | |
| ☐ are submitted herewith | | | |
| ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee | | | |
| were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/983,616 filed October 25, 2001 | | | |
| □ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304. | | | |
| ☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and | | | |
| ☐ (B) Application Serial No.(s) | | | |
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